TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 797 - HB 1148

March 13, 2021

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires financial service providers to report suspected abuse, neglect, or exploitation of elderly or vulnerable adults to the Department of Human Services (DHS) Adult Protective Services, and in some cases, local law enforcement. Clarifies that the provider is not subject to criminal penalties if acting in accordance with the *Elderly and Vulnerable Adult Financial Exploitation Prevention Act*.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Based on information provided by the Department of Financial Institutions (DFI), the proposed legislation will not significantly alter Department policies or operations; any fiscal impact to DFI is estimated to be not significant.
- According to the DHS, financial service providers already report such suspected
 offenses regularly. The added requirement is not expected to significantly increase the
 number of reports or investigations managed by the Department. Any increase in
 caseload can be absorbed within existing Department resources; therefore, any fiscal
 impact to DHS is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Bojan Savic, Interim Executive Director

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